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**CC:**  
**Subject:** Fw: Update on EPA's Efforts in Dimock

A response I got after sending out the note to residents  
Sent by EPA Wireless E-Mail Services

**From:** Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy  
**Sent:** 12/29/2011 06:41 PM EST  
**To:** Helen Duteau  
**Subject:** Re: Update on EPA's Efforts in Dimock

I believe the EPA was already out a few months ago to speak with us. No one wanted to test our water then. We won't be available on Fri. Everyone has been offered treatment systems at no charge. None of the litigants have taken them. If you are looking for test results then maybe you should be requesting those of the litigants. The litigants have made numerous claims about the contaminants in their water yet to our knowledge no one has ever seen any test results proving any of this. If they want to take up your time then you should ask them to provide you with the test results first. In our opinion the treatment system works. Cabot has numerous tests to prove it and you are welcome to look at them. If you would like to sample our water yourself that is fine too. In order to sample our water you would need to provide us with some notice in advance not call and leave a message on the ans. machine and send an email the day you'd like to do it. If the treatment systems work for so many of us then poss. you should suggest to the litigants that they take one and try it for themselves.

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

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**Cc:** Trish Taylor <Taylor.Trish@epamail.epa.gov>; David Polish <Polish.David@epamail.epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thu, Dec 29, 2011 11:06 am  
**Subject:** Update on EPA's Efforts in Dimock  
**Dear Dimock Residents:**

On behalf of Trish Taylor, I'm providing you with an update and attached fact sheet about EPA's activities in Dimock, PA. Please continue to address any questions or concerns to Trish and she will be happy to follow up with you when she returns to the office. Thank you.

EPA Update:

Earlier data reviewed by EPA in November 2011 indicated that private well water posed no immediate health risks. We also said that we would continue to review the latest data and keep you informed. EPA has recently received and reviewed hundreds of pages of the latest Cabot data supplied by the residents. While EPA is not in a position to make any conclusions about the data we have in hand because there are gaps, we believe that additional information is needed to better understand the situation in Dimock and respond appropriately. Therefore, EPA is considering next steps including conducting some sampling of well water in the area.

EPA staff plan to be in Dimock beginning today to survey residents to begin filling these information gaps about their drinking water supply and will share next steps when we have more complete information. We will keep you informed of our next steps as soon as possible.

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